NORWICH, CONN., MONDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1909

LIKENED TO BIG BLIZZARD OF 1888

Storm of Saturday Night and Sunday

ITS FULL FORCE FELT IN CONNECTICUT

Complete Embargo Placed Upon Ordinary Means of Communication-Absence of Low Temperatures-Twenty Foot Snowdrifts-Wind Sixty Miles an Four-Telegraph and Telephone Wires in Bad Tangle.

Trains Held for Hours.

SUNDAY CHRISTMAS TREE.

Haile Club Had Delightful Time to

With Propgramme By Choral Class.

solo The Babe of Bethlehem, Miss Mollie James; carol, The First Noel, Halle club chorus; solo, It Came Jipon the Midnight Clear, Gladys Eliot; solo. The Song of Ages, Miss Helen Crowe; O Little Town of Bthlehem, Halle club chorus, solo, Cartiers.

The pretty gifts were distributed by

SALVATION ARMY DINNER.

Hibernian Hall.

It is many years since the railroads

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 26.—A swird of snow, thick and sticky, driven by forty-mile wind, swept over Connected in common with the rest of this art of the country hast night and to-lay, bringing conditions which are likened to the famous blizzard of 1888. While the storm fell sbort of that blizard, it has been a good many winters lince a snowstorm has so completely faced an embargo upon ordinary means of communication. The temperatures did not run low, and for this cason the suffering thus far has not sensevere. The fact that it was sunday following a holiday had much o do with the blockade by snow of lighways and trolley lines, for there as no the usual amount of traffic to saist in clearing the way.

Twenty Foot Snowdrifts.

mined, bulkheads were destroyed, and persons living some distance from the coast found themselves looking over the open ocean.

Extensive Prostration of the wire service, especially in southeastern New England, was more extensive than for many years. The telephone and telegraph companies had a few wires through to New York, by way of northern circuits, and communication with the north and east was in fairly good shape tonight. But Providence clumg to the outside world by only a single wire, while communication to-ward Fall River, Newport and New Heddord and Cape Cod by ordinary lines ceased at Brockton. The wire-less, however, established communication with Cape Cod and there was

Twenty Foot Snowdrifts. ong the sound shore the snowfall not quite so heavy as farther in-At Woodbury tonight, where the was still falling thick, the avergo fall was above two and a half feet, fany snowdrifts were figured at twen-feet in thickness. That town has ad no communication by trolley since

Wires in a Bad Tangle. Out of New Haven the indications were that the storm was much more evere east of here, especially in Rhode siand. Telegraph and telephone wires ere down in many places to the cast, and in the Thames valley many poles and fallen, mixing wires in a bad angle.

The Central New England read for thirty miles around Boston and the forthwest of Winsted is blocked and to trains are running. East of that lace the trains are running at long increases and away behind time. A now piow train was decailed in the Vinsted yards this afternoon, but the two escaped injury. The amaller owns around Winsted were cut off rom all communication, telephone and elegraph wires being down and the now drifted fifteen feet, in places, locking the country roads. In the maller towns church services were appended. The storm was the worst sperienced in this section for many page.

Trolley Traffic Almost Suspended. Willimantic and the surrounding cuntry suffered severely. Trolley traf-ic was almost suspended and the milk-nen were unable to get into the city with their daily supply.

Columbia Boy Drowned. One death by drawning is though ard Lyman, is years old, was last seen Christmas afternoon crossing Columbia pond on his skates, and it is thought that he broke through the ice and drowned. The ice was known to be thin in many places. Today the pond was carefully gone over by Columbia esidents, but whatever breaks there hav have been were frozen over and nay have been were frozen over and overed with snow. Lyman was the on of William A. Lyman.

Fatal Struggle of Motormanstroke of apopiexy and died early bits morning. In the opinion of the nedical examiner the stroke was superinduced by Holloway's struggle through the storm. He was 50 years old and unmarried.

Livestook Suffers from Lack of Care. Livestock Suffers from Lack of Care. In New Milford snow was piled up leght feet high on Bank street, the main business thoroughfare, and in the surrounding country the snow was drifted ten feet high in places. Farmers will have to be dug out before they can reach town, and livestock suffered from lack of food and water, owing to the upability of their owners to reach

REMARKABLY HIGH TIDES,

Boston, Dec. 25.—Grim winter swept anto New England today on the wings of a northeast storm with such terrific fury as to cause great damage, much inconvenience, not a litle suffering and a few deaths.

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The gale drove a tide into Massa-chusetts bay which nearly equalled hat of the famous atorm of 1851, the 'et snow prostrated wires, telephone, elegraph, electric light and trolley, throughout the southeastern section, rallroad trains were stalled and three persons loat their lives in Everett and Chelson by the sudden rise of the tide. The Storm Sighted Friday in Missis-

The storm was sighted on the seather chart on Friday far down in the Mississippi valley. It gathered strength on its way up the coast, but did not prove a menace until late last night when it was central somewhere off the southeastern coast of New England. From midnight until late today its destructive powers were amusually extensive and severe. With its center somewhere off Nantucket, it drew down by a wide spiral into a continually deepening center, a northcontinually deepening center, a north-east gale which swept over the greater portion of New England was accompa-

Big Tides the Feature. blg tide, however, was the fenure of the storm. Coming on a full moon, the gale rolled a wave along the coast which in some places reached a leight of over 14 feet above low water sark and has only been exceeded, according to local records, by that which wept the coast at the time that Mi-

hall at the army headquarters. The hall was packed to the doors by an eager crowd of the little ones, who were all satisfied by the gifts they received from the pretty tree after a short service had been conducted by the ensign.

Cabled Paragraphs

London, Dec. 26.—More than one nundred thousand persons were charg-d with drunkneness and disorder in scotland last year.

Santiago, Chili, Dec. 28.—The Chiliar government has ordered from the Krupps, in Essen, Germany, 240 guns to be delivered within three years.

St. Petersburg. Dec. 26.—Nicholas Tschalkovsly and Catherine Breshkov-skaya, who are charged with being members of the revolutionary organ-ization, will be put on trial in Feb-ruary. Copies of the indictment found against them were served on them Sat-urday.

Prague, Dec. 26.—Ten persons were killed and twenty-eight seriously wounded, while many others suffered minor injuries in a collision yesterday between a passenger express train bound for Vienna and a freight train at Uhersko station, near Chotzen, in

WORST STORM EXPERIENCED IN MANY YEARS.

Railroad, Electric, Telegraph or Telephone Communication—Fire Alarm and Electric Light Systems Crippled -Small Blizzard with Bad Results-Poles and Wires Down.

Norwich experienced one of the worst storms in many years Saturday afternoon and night, during which time about eight inches of anow fell, accompanied by a high wind and some rain, making the walking silppery and difficult and causing the snow to be plastered against wires, poles and buildings, while the trees were handsomely decorated with an artistic coating of white.

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Predicted by Horace Johnson, the storm arrived only a few hours late, but started in mild and gave but little indication of the outcome until evening, when, with the wind it became a small blizzard and soon put out out of commelssion the work of a long time. Trees, poles, wires and large limbs were broken down, while the coating of ice on the trolley wires made it difficult for the plows to get through, and the electric system was not running until shortly before 16 o'clock at night. The clectric light system is crippled, so that the five incandescent light circuits were not in use Sunday night, and while many breaks occurred in the arc circuits, all but one was fixed up so as to be in use Sunday evening, aithough only temporary repairs have much relief when word was received from the famous peninsula that its long, sandy beach had not been mark-It is many years since the railroads and street railway companies have been so badly blocked. The wet snow proved less of a handican than the fallen wires and telegraph poles for the steam railroads, but the street railways could make but little proggress in clearing their lines of the heavy drift. The delay on the railroads was worse to the north and south than to the west. Between Providence and New London fallen wires and poles held trains for many hours, while eastbound trains over the Boston & Maine for Maine and New Brunswick points were badly delayed.

Many Large Cities in Darkness. up so as to be in use Sunday evening, aithough only temporary repairs have been made. The commercial circuit was working. The 'bug" light circuits are supplied by a small wire, which broke under the weight of the ice, and Supt. Bogue states that the storm has been the worst for wires in years here. No lights at all were in commission on the East Side Sunday night.

The first break in the fire alarm system came at 5.30 and the second at 5.45. At 6.30 Chief Stanton and his men were out locating the trouble. Be-

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a few boxes, those at the almshouse, Ulmer's tannery, three on the East Side, 6, 62 and 64, and two on Laurel Hill, 45 and 48. In some circuits there were four breaks from limbs falling or the weight of the ice. There was a broken pole at the corner of Fifth street, near the bleachery. The most damage was done on the outskirts and in Laurel Hill avenue there are several breaks. The loss of the telephone service made it necessary to get the A special Christmas programme brought out a large attendance of the Haile club members to their clubrooms for Sunday afternoon. A num-ber of out of town friends of the and Laurel Hill, the wires were broken by the heavy wind and Chief Stanton estimated that the ice on the wires, members were also guests for the de-lightful hours spent. A feature that had been anticipated

A feature that had been anticipated with Interest was the appearance of the choral class in several selections in which they had been instructed by Miss Mary Rogers. Their numbers were melodiously given and warmly praised by the club members, and the solos were an especially enjoyable part of the afternoon. Miss Susan I. Gallin and Miss Gladys Upton were the accompanists for the following programme:

Duct. Adeste Fideles, Miss Nellie Delaney and Miss Rose Leopold; carol, Holy Night. Halle club chorus; solo, The Holy City, Miss Katharine Kirby; solo The Babe of Bethlehem, Miss Mollie James; carol, The First Noel, Halle club chorus; solo, it Came Upon the Midnight Clear, Gladys Eliot; there was more trouble. It will take

the case parted from the big strain and two miles this side of Jewett City two days to get the lines to working, even temporarily. A force of men a started in early Sunday morning and worked until 9 o'clock Sunday night, men being called in from Willimantic to help. The worst trouble occurred in Norwich, New London, Danielson and Elewett City. Long distance calls couldn't be handled until communication was finally established with Danielson and Willimantic. The storm was worse than last February for the telephone company.

The iced trolley wires kept back the snow plows all day on the electric lines. On the New London line a car was started out Sunday morning for Norwich, but got to Montville switch, where it stayed waiting for orders. A snow plow was sent after it, but the act of and the central Village line there was the worst trouble and double cars were run twice to get the wire clear. On the West Side route the first car was fing up at 2.15 getting back at 6, On the West Side route the first car was fing off the track once.

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A part of the afternoon which was of absorbing interest was furnished by the two Christmas trees with their loads of presents, but before these were distributed by Miss Rose Leopold as Santa Claus, Miss Mary Kane, the president, presented Mrs. William C. Lanman on behalf of the club a beautiful ebony handled silver coffee vot, suitably engraved. Her heartfelt appreciation of the gift was expressed by Mrs. Lanman, who told the members that one best Christmas present they might give her would be to make the club stand for the highest and the noblest in womanhood.

The pretty gifts were distributed by numbers from the trees, which were lit by electricity, and this part of the programme was delightful for all. The club has realized \$50 from the sale of the handsome begonias, Gloire de Lerraine, which were raised in Mrs.

Lanman's greenhouses by her gardner, Mr. Beasley. This week there is a New Year's eve dance and the club will be

on Sunday, being their first hurried call this season. The Salvation Army carried out with complete success its Christmas dinner on Saturday at noon and also its Christmas tree for the children in the evening, making Ensign A, G. Metcalfe feel very grateful to the people of Norwich, whose generosity made these two happy events possible and brought sunshine into many lives for the day. Dinner was served in Hibernian hall at noon by the ensign and his helpers to over 250, who were nearly all children, but there were a few mothers present. The tables were set twice to accommodate the crowd and a nice menu was provided, which included roast chicken with oyster dressing, potatoes, cranherry sauce, cold slaw, rolls, mince pie. Enough more dinners were call this season.

The Yantic line was opened at four o'clock, although at ten o'clock cars got to the hespital and at noon to Bean Hill. The telephones being out of order delayed travel much, as the cars could only be despatched from the square. The Central Village first car was brought down at the rear of the steam train.

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The high tension wire to the South Windham sub-station was out of com-mission and the steam plant was started there in the morning. A break in the trolley wire occurred at Franklin square and twice on the Yan-tle line, making plenty of work for the repair gang.

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This morning, however, the lines will start off on regular schedule.

The police signal wires were out of commission and only by roundabout means was the telegraph service available. New London was cut off by the wires being down.

Prof. Herbert T. Miller's Friday even-ing class had their lesson changed to Saturday night last week, also inviting their friends home from college for the holldays. There were a large num-ber attending, and a thoroughly de-lightful time was enjoyed.

Zelaya Escapes on Trolley Car in Mexican Gunboat Naugatuck River

AMERICAN WARSHIPS MAKE NO PLUNGED DOWN BANK, CRASH-ATTEMPT TO STOP HIM.

HE IS BOUND FOR MEXICO

of Cruiser Albany, But Gets No Response-Leaves an Empty Treasury.

Under cover of darkness Thursday morning, Zelaya, accompanied by a heavily armed guard, proceeded to Corinto, in which port the Mexican warship had been lying for several days close beside the United States protected cruiser Albany. Other American warships swung at anchor in the harbor with marines aboard laxily awalting instructions.

Farewell Salute of Thirteen Guns. Zelaya's coming was unheralded, but guard from the Guerrero received a guard from the Guerrero received him, and soon he was safe under the protection of the Mexican flag. At 5 o'clock in the afternoon the warship weighed anchor and pointed out to sea. A salute of thirteen guns was fired from the shore, and hundreds of soldiers and citizens waved the former dictator a farewell salute from the shore, Zelaya stood alone and waved back in answer. He uncovered when abreast of the Albany, but the American cruiser made no response. Then he turned again toward the shore, easing until out of sight.

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Managua Nicaragua, Dec. 26.—The new president of Nicaragua, Jose Madriz, is taking hold of affairs with a strong hand. Zelaya left him the legacy of an empty breasury and soon after President Madriz had publicly announced in effect that the country was practically on the verge of bank-ruptcy, the arrest of Joaquin Passos, Zelaya's son-in-law, and Ernesto Martinez, Zelaya's last finance minister, was ordered. They are now in the hands of the authorities, charged with misappropriation of public funds, fall-ure to register government bonds, and the circulation of unsigned paper money.

ties unearthed a mystery today which will probably occupy the entire atten-tion of Greater Pittsburg's detectives tion of Greater Pittsburg's detectives for days to come when the body of 14 year old James Lawrence Frell was found with the throat slashed from ear to ear in a vacant house in Allegheny. It is believed the lad was murdered and his corpse taken to the vacant house where his partly clothed body was discovered.

Years.

Norwich Lodge, I. O. B. A., Elects.
Independent Norwich lodge, No. 309.
I. O. B. A., met in Swartzburg hall
Sunday evening for its annual election of officers, which resulted as follows: President, Meyer Blumenthal,
re-elected; vice president, David Norwick; secretary, Abraham Abelman,
re-elected; treasurer, Charles Rubin;
physician, Dr. J. J. Donohue; outside
guard, Sam Bermand; trustees, Max
Schwartz, Solomon Weener, Isaac Kramer, The attendance at the meeting
was large. The installation of officers
will be conducted at the next meeting,
two weeks from Sunday, by District
Deputy Abraham Weener. Deputy Abraham Weener.

Frightened by Falling Limb.

While Edward E. Abel, the East
Great Plain milkman, was in the dooryard of a customer on Maple street.
Sunday morning, a good sized limb
broke from a tree and fell in front of
his horse. The animal was frightened
and plunged ahead, snapping the whiffletree, tearing the harness, and as the
reins were inside the inclosed milk
wagon, breaking out the glass front.
The horse was stopped on West Main
street, and after patching up his harness and procuring a new whiffletree
Mr. Abel went on delivering his milk.

Miss Mary Lyons of 61 Union street, for thirty years employed at the Wanregan house, slipped on an icy sidewalk near her sister's, home in Union
street. Saturday evening, and fell,
breaking her wrist, with which she
will be laid up for several weeks. Dr.

ING THROUGH ICE.

FIVE PASSENGERS ESCAPED

Passengers Greatly Shocked.

The passengers were Miss Alvilda. Peterson of Waterbury, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Madison of Beacon Falls and two men who did not give their names. One was an Italiah. These passengers were greatly shocked by the experience and, dripping wet, they made their way up the bank and went to the home of John Fritz, near by, where dry clothes were furnished them. Later in the day they left for their homse.

Charles Madison is superintendent of the sub-station at Beacon Falls maintained by the Connecticut company to furnish power for the trolley line between Seymour and Naugatuck. He was accompanied by his wife and her alster, Miss Alvilda Peterson, of 419 West Main street, Waterbury.

Effort to Recover the Bodies.

Embankment Forty Feet High.

The car was No. 286, southbound from Waterbury for this town, and according to the passengers it was not running very fast. The wind was howling over the river and the snow filled the air. Conductor Donovan had gone into the motorman's vestibule probably to help the motorman in keeping a lookout. This is the presumption of those who saw him go into the vestibule. At the point where the trolley was derailed there is a turnout and then a curve. This is nearly opposite what is known as the Duck farm, a place used for breeding ducks, and so called by the trolleymen as a means of identification. The track is laid on the embankment of the river, some six feet back from the edge. The embankment is about forty feet high.

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Car Jumped the Frog.

Me of the track between Seymour and Beacon Falls is close to the river and the ride to trolley passengers is interesting for this reason as well as for the scenery of the Naugatuck valley. The snow had drifted over some parts of the track, but it is said that the ralls were clear near the switch. As usual the conductor left the car before the switch was reached to set the signal light which protects the turnout. He then entered the motorman's vestibule. An instant later the car jumped the frog and went over the boank. As the forward end of the car went crashing through the river ice, the passengers clinging to the seats, which had gone to another angle, tried to drag themselves towards the rear door, having thoughts of the nature of the accident. The car rested on the softom, with the rear quarter protruding through the ice. With great difficulty the five passengers, assisting each other, made their exit from the rear vestibule and reached the bank. All were dripping wet. Realizing that nothing could be done to reach the imprisoned motorman and conductor, they made their way to the house of Mr. Fritz, where they were cared for.

Coroner Mix Notified.

Motorman Beard was married and

Bridgeport, Conn., Dec. 26.—The highest tide in 25 years was in evidence here today, when a rise of 12 feet 2 inches was recorded at 18.21 this morning. Every dock on the waterfront was flooded and damage roughly estimated at \$300 resulted. The usual high tide is 8 feet 4 inches.

Motorman Beard was married and aged about 50. He was married but had no children. Conductor Donovan lived in Ansonia, was about 30 and single. As soon as possible after the accident word was sent for assistance and a crew with a car went to the turnout to make an effort to reach the car and bodies. Coroner Mix at New House bodies. Coroner Mix at New Haven was also notified. was also notified.

One of the passengers, an Italian, was seen here. He could not speak much English, but said that he was not hurt much and got wet only to his

CHRISTMAS MADE PLEASANT Many Sent Gifts and Provided Dinners Which Were Thoroughly Ap-

There was a special dinner with all the fixings, together with oranges and fruit, provided for the 45 prisoners at the jail by George W. Carroll, while ice cream was sent by Miss Mary P. Huntington. It was a most enjoyable feast and thoroughly delighted all those under Jaller Bowen. He further contributed to their happiness by passing to each a plug of tobacco, one of the three women accepting such an offering. The remembrances came to the prisoners very unexpectedly but were heartly enjoyed.

County Home.

At the county home the 88 children had a roast beef dinner with onions, potatoes, cramberry sauce, while there was entertainment with phonograph music. The day was quietly passed, the gifts having been received at the school entertainment.

Sheltering Arms.

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By request, at nine in the morning. Christmas day, the inmates of the Sheltering Arms, eleven in number, met in the reception room where the Christmas presents were distributed. All were bountifully remembered and the spirit of cheer and good will ran high. At one o'clock a dinner was served with turkey, cranberry sauce, onlons, potatoes, celery, fruit and olives, a finishing touce of ice cream, sponge cake and fruit. The inmates of the home are grateful to their friends who made it cossible for them to have such a happy day. Everyone had at least one gift and in most cases several. At the Norwich State hospital the 625 inmates had a turkey dinner with all the fixings, while in response to invitations many of the friends of the inmates called to see them and they enjoyed their presents in the several wards.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—Frederic M. At-wood, for nearly forty years a promi-nent Chicago merchant, died suddenly today of apoplexy. He was born in Providence, R. I. in 1849. The body will be taken Tuesday to Spencer Mass, for interment. The large Wauregan house turkey was won William Chapman. He was highly pleased at his good fortune, and intends to donate the 34-

Condensed Telegrams

Baron Uchida, the new Japanese minister, was received by President Taft. The Government Forces in San Domingo were defeated by the revolutionists.

Wholesale Egg Merchants of Chi-cago have lowered the price of eggs three cents a dozen,

Two Firemen Were Killed and three others severely injured in fighting a fire at Lewiston, Mc.

An Amended Ship Subsidy Bill has been prepared that meets the appro-bation of President Taft. A Clever Counterfeit of a Five Dol

lar silver certificate has been ered by treasury agents. Two Thousand Lives Are Estimated

All Southwest Europe Was Swept by destructive floods, great los property resulting especially in tugal.

The United States Steel Corporation to spend \$100,000,000 for new plants etween South Chicago and Gary, In-Thieves Who Took a Safe from the tore of C. A. Scales in Chicago, re-urned it when they found it contained tothing valuable.

The City Retiring Board of Chicago was ousted by the courts and the members fined one cent for holding office unlawfully.

Fire, Caused by the Explosion of a watchman's lantern, destroyed the plant of the Conneaut Shovel company at Conneaut Ohlo.

Princess Louise of Belgium returned to Cologne, having refused to put aside her husband, Count Mattachich, upon King Albert's order.

China is Preparing to Formally pro-test against Japan's alleged violation during the past year of the Manchur-ian telegraph convention.

Emperor William Has Conferred on Count J. H. Von Bernstorff, the Ger-man ambassador to the United States, the Order of the Red Eagle.

President Taft Shortened the sen-tence of O. M. Burns, former cashier of the First National bank of Mont-pelior, Ohio, by seven months.

children and three boarders were hurned to death in a fire that de-stroyed their home at Hillsville, Pa. LYNCH A MURDERER. from Jail and Hung to Steam

Pipe in Lumber Mill.

CHARLES WAKE DESERTS THE COOK STANDARD clares He Was Deceived.

New York, Dec. 26.—Charles Wake of this city, Arctic explorer, member of the Explorers' club and heretofore one of the staunchest supporters of Dr. Frederick A. Cook, deserted the Cook standard tonight. Although loyal for several days after the adverse decision of the university of Copeni hagen on Cook's return, Wake now says that he was deceived by the explorer. He adds that he does not know where Dr. Cook is, except that he is in Europe, though he is aware of Mrs. Cook's whereabouts, which he de-Mrs. Cook's whereabouts, which he de-clined to reveal.

"Cook has had ample time to express himself since the records were exam-ined," said Mr. Wake, but he has not

STARVING AT CHRISTMAS.

New York, Dec. 26.—Thomas F. Christ an unemployed painter, with his wife, convalencing from scarlet fever, and his six small children, were found starving yesterday in their home at 293 Central avenue, Williamsburg.

The attention of the police of the Hamburg avenue station was called to the family, and their condition soon became known in the neighborhood. Mrs. Emma Stratton of 56 Schaefer street took in all the children who had not become affected with fever and gave them a merry Christmas. Christ and his wife were also looked after.

Definition Given Out Sunday by the Highest American Legal Authority

FINAL DECISION ON THE SUBJECT

The President Holds that Whiskey Made of Neutral Spirits is Whiskey when Reduced to Potable Strength-Directions for the Proper Branding of Various Varieties of Liquor-"Straight Whiskeys" and "Blends."

Washington, D. C., Dec. 26.—The def-nition of the word "whiskey" by the dighest American legal authority was liven today, when President Taft ren-lated to the control of given today, when President Taft rendered the final decision on the subject in connection with the construction of the pure food law with reference to labeling. The president held that whiskey made of neutral spirits is whiskey when reduced to potable strength.

Is not to change its whole nature or to make what was genuine whiskey 'imitation whiskey,' because of a slightly fution whiskey,' because of a slightly fution in the impracticable, in my judgment, for the execution of the law."

Public May Know What They Drink,

What a "Blend" Is.

The president covered other details in his decision and gave directions for the proper branding of various varieties of liquor, holding among other things that Canadian Club whiskey and whiskey made from a mixture of "Straight" whiskey and "neutral spirits" may be called a blend. Speaking further, he says:

"The public will be made to know exactly the kind of whiskey they buy and drink. This was the intent of the act. It injures no man's lawful business, because it only insists upon the statement of the truth in the label." Roosevelt Verdict Reversed.

The decision follows the lines of the conclusions reached by the royal commission of Great Britain and reverses the verdict of former President Roosevelt, former Attorney General Bonaparte, Solicitor General Bowers and Dr. Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry. The Roosevelt-Bonaparte-Wiley order denied the use of the word "whiskey" in branding to all liquor except "straight whiskey," the whiskey which is aged in charred oak caskets.

Mr. Bowers extended the use of the word to liquors made of "rectified and distillde spirits." President Taft goes a step farther and includes blende and whiskey made from "neutral spirits."

Perversion of Pure Food Act.

Branding of Whiskeys. According to the instructions under its decision "straight whiskeys" will breafter be branded as such, but the

hereafter be branded as such, but the brand may be accompanied by the legend "aged in wood," and whiskey made from rectified, distilled or neutral spirits will be branded so as to make known the principal ingredient. In addition, if they so desire, manufacturers of straight whiskey may also use the word "bourbon" or "rye" as the fact may warrant.

The definition of "blends" is not made broad enough to include neutral spirits made from molasses and reduced to potable strength. This article, the president says, cannot be labeled as whiskey; it is rum.

Chemists Taken to Task.

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BY THE BREECHES BUOY.

AT GREENWICH. Deposed Insurance President Never

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GEORGE SHELDON DIES

Knew of His Indictment. Greenwich, Conn., Dec. 26 George Preston Sheldon, the deposed president of the Phenix Fire Insurance company of Brooklyn, who was indicted for grand larceny at the beginning of the month, after allegations as to his management of the company in the resident warlously reported as numbering 27 and 22, were rescued by life savers early today during the height of the company in the resident which

he developed myocarditis, a muscular inflammation of the heart, and a general oedemic condition similar to dropsy. He has had but few lucid intervals during the past six weeks, and never knew of his indictment.

thority to Story of Deathbed Core-

Brussels, Dec. 26.—The Twentieth Century, a government organ, quotes an "authoritative person," confirming the religious marriage of King Leopold on his deathbed.

It also says that a few days prior to this Baroness Vaughan received holy communion.

Ridgefield, Conn., Dec. 28.—Frederic Remington, the artist, died at his home here today from heart failure and shock superinduced by an operation for appendicitis performed on Thursday.

Mr. Remington had been in good health until last Sunday, when he remarked that he seemed slightly indisposed. It was not until Wednesday that he suffered pain to any extent, and physicians were called. That night it was deemed wise to call in a New York specialist and the next day an operation for appendicitis was performed. The patient seemed to be progressing feworably Friday and yesterday, but this morning a change set in and death came about 9.30.

Mr. Remington came here last May to make this his permanent place of residence. He was in his 48th year, was a native of Canton N. Y. to which place the body will be taken tomorrow afternoon, following prayers at the house. The funeral service will be in the Universalist church at Canton at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Remington married Miss Eva Caton of Gloversville, N. Y., who survives him.

Kite-Flying Expert William E. Eddy

New York, Dec. 26.—William E. Eddy, well known as a kite-flying expert, died today at Bayonne, N. J. Mr. Eddy underwent a surgical operation in October for an intestinal trouble and October for an intestinal trouble and never recovered from the abock. He was born in New Jersey in 1850.

Many of the observations made by Mr. Eddy in his experiments with kites were of great benefit to scientists. He was the first person in this country to take a photograph from a kite in midair and he also made extensive experiments in taking upper air current temperatures and atmospheric electricity.

New Milford, Conn. Dec 26.—Henry D. Brogan of Bridgeport, a railroad brakeman, jumped from a car at the station here today and on striking the platform slipped and rolled between the trucks of the cars and the edge of the platform and received injuries which it is expected will cause his death. He was taken to the Bridgeport hospital. Brogan is 26 wars old

president says:

"After an examination of all the evidence, it seems to be overwhelmingly established that for a hundred years the term 'whiskey' in the trade and among the customers has included all potable liquor, distilled from grain; that the straight whiskey is, as compared with the whiskey made by rectification or redistillation and flavoring and coloring matter, a subsequent improvement and therefore it is a perand coloring matter, a subsequent im-provement, and therefore it is a per-version of the pure food act to attempt now to limit the meaning of the term 'whiskey' to that which modern manu-facture and taste have made the most desirable variety." CREW OF TWENTY-SEVEN SAVED

Perversion of Pure Food Act.

Freight Steamship Thurman Ashore on New Jersey Coast. Atlantic City, N. J., Dec. 26-By

ent Hotchkiss, died at 7.25 o'clock Saturday morning. His entire family, except his son, Waldo, who is now in
Mexico, were at his bedside. No arrangements have yet been made for
the funeral.

Mr. Sheldon first became ill with
ptomaine poisoning at the Apawamis
Golf club in Rye late in October, Later
inflammation of the superintendJersey coast.

The vessel was on her way from a
Virginia port to New Haven with coal
and had a barge with men aboard in
the towline parted and the burge was
lost. In an effort to recover her tow,
the Thurman struck the bar at Toms
river and was still hard and fast
aground tonight.

DIED AS SANTA CAME.

Baby Expires in Bellevue Hugging Doll That Caused His Injuries.

New York, Dec. 26.—Santa Claus found two year old Charlie Pelsang in Roosevelt hospital yesterday morning and in the afternoon she little boy died. The Christmas figure he seemed to like most was his sister's doll, which had caused his death.

His mother was sorubhing at her which had caused his death.

His mother was sorubbing at her home 446 West Forty-first street, on Friday, and she had set a deep pan of boiling water on the floor where she could get at it easily. Charlie's sister had received the doll as an ante-Christmas present, and he was daneing around the room with the doll in his hands. He turned to run backward, fell into the boiling water, and was so badly burned that there was no hope for his life.

The doctors at Roosevelt hospits, whither his mother ran with the boy in her arms, said he could live only a little while. His parents and his sister stayed with him. They gave him his presents yesterday morning. He

ter stayed with him. They gave him his presents yesterday morning. He fondled them a while, and then asked for the doil, His sister brought it to him; he died with it in his arms.

BANKER SHOOTS HIMSELF. J. H. Winterode in lowa Town Commits Suicide at His Desk.

Winterset, Ia., Dec. 26.—J. H. Winterode, president of the Citizens' National bank, committed suicide Saturday by shooting himself through the right temple. Ill health is said to be

the cause.

The janitor and bookkeeper left Winterede at the bank about noon. Half an hour later, W. J. Cornell, the cashier, reached the establishment and found the president sitting at his deak with a builet hole through his head. He was a native of Pennsylvania and a wife and three children survive him. survive him.

Two Men Shot on a New Haven Street

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 26.—Standing on a street corner tonight, Alfonso Ponzo and Michael Esposito were accosted by an Italian, a stranger to them, and on their telling him to keep quist he drew a revolver and fired five shots. One struck Ponzo on the shoulder, inflicting a slight wound, and another struck Esposito in the back, inflicting what may prove to be a fatal wound. Both men were taken to the New Haven hospital. The man who did the shooting made his escape. Corner.

Rome, Dec. 28.—The condition of Cardinal Satolil, who is suffering to mephritis, is desperate, the attacks of delirium being now very frequent. Extreme unction has been administered. The pape is greatly concerned over the cardinal's illness and makes inquiries thrice daily.

Louisville Fire Chief Dies of Injuries

Far-Reaching Effects of the Terrific Northeast